



FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Throughout the month of September, our parish has been celebrating Stewardship through Ministry Month. As faithful members of our church, we have been called to be good stewards. Through our commitment to stewardship, we affirm our gratitude to God by sharing His gifts of our time, talent and treasure with others.

OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE...

This weekend, St. Michael's Church celebrates its Feast Day and The Call to Stewardship through Ministry.

Fr. Marty and other parish leaders would like to extend their deepest gratitude to those parishioners who have answered the call to stewardship and returned Ministry Commitment Cards to the parish. These commitments, which display your kind and giving spirit, signify that you have heeded God's call to live as disciples on a daily basis through the practice of stewardship.

The Ministry Card calls for a commitment to stewardship - the stewardship of our time in which we live prayer and the stewardship of our talent in which we live service through the ministries we support.

We are a community of the Lord's disciples, and we are grateful to each parishioner who has embraced stewardship as a way of life and kept the spirit of stewardship alive within our parish family.

Again, thank you for your overwhelming generosity and sharing your gifts with our parish. Your charitable spirit of giving will continue to enable St. Michael's Church to fulfill the mission that God has entrusted to us. We offer our prayers that God will continue to bestow His countless blessings upon you, your family and our parish community.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWERING THE CALL OF STEWARDSHIP

Additional Commitment Cards are available in the Gathering Space



SATURDAY LITURGY

Vigil: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY LITURGY

7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

DAILY LITURGY

Weekdays 7:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY LITURGY

See page 9 of the bulletin

CHAPEL HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8:00 AM-3:00 PM

Wednesdays

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Saturday

9:00-3:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays

1:00-4:00 PM in the Chapel

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Sacrament of Penance...Saturday

3:30 PM-4:30 PM

Baptisms...First time parents at

St. Michael must attend a Baptism Prep session before the baptism date can be scheduled. Please call Janice at ext. 8241 to schedule the prep session and/or baptism date.

Marriage....The bride, groom or their parents/grandparents must be active registered members of the parish for at least one year prior to reserving a date for the wedding. The diocese requires that arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of the wedding date in order for the proper personal, spiritual and liturgical preparations of the couple to be completed.

Sacrament of the Sick...Please call the office until 4:00 PM. After 4:00 PM, please call 322-6623 Monday-Friday and anytime on the weekend.

Names of the sick are placed in the bulletin for a period of four weeks after which time they are either removed or placed in the Book of Intentions in the Chapel.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday prior to the Sunday printing 12:00 PM (Noon). Holidays have exceptions. Please submit potential bulletin articles by email to bulletin@stmichaelparish.life or in print form to the office or by fax to 322-4508.

Website: www.stmichaelparish.life

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If you are interested in participating in any of these ministries, please visit the website for Ministry Coordinator information.

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Altar Servers

Art & Environment

Cross Bearers

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Hospitality

Lectors

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Music Ministry

Centering Prayer Ministry

RCIA

Sacristan

Ministers of Care

Education & Formation Commission

Adult Catholic Education

Alpha

Baptismal Preparation

Catholic Bible Study

Faith Formation

Marriage Preparation

Radiate

Stewardship & Parish Administration

Cemetery Committee

Parish Gardeners

Stewardship

Parish Life

Boy Scouts of America

Comforting Chefs

Emotions Anonymous

Festival Committee

Holy Name Society

Knights of Columbus

Ministry of Hope & Consolation

Parish Nurse

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From the Pastor's Desk

Archangels = Action-Words. The Feast of St. Michael the Archangel is on September 29th for the Universal Church. However, we who bear his name as our patron are allowed to transfer his feast to this Sunday so we can celebrate all together. But, along with our patron, we also celebrate two other important Angelic Beings, Raphael and Gabriel. Though each have a particular charism or function, they all share one thing in common, they all bring God's word to us. This is either direct like Gabriel who speaks God's words to Mary, or indirectly like Raphael who guides Tobit's son, Tobiah, to look for a wife or Michael who brings God's word as our protector and defender against the confusion of Satan.

So, in a sense, this is God's Communication Department. Unlike the frenzied communication of the present day, these communicators are very deliberate. There are no hash-tag catchy phrases, or sound bits or even lengthy speeches. Perhaps the din of modern-day communicating makes it difficult for us to hear such clear and steadied voices.



You and I, who have every means possible to communicate, feel even less connected than we did before. Yes, we "talk" (text) to each other but the multiplication of our words spoken or written have not made them more effective, perhaps they have even diminished them to the point of background noise.

To really communicate, silence is needed. Time is a welcome guest to be able to formulate thoughts that try to touch the very mystery of God. Throwing more words at God, or even at one another, doesn't get the point across, does not clarify our thoughts. You and I can become mired in the depth of our communications.

Take time today to just be in God's Presence as it given to us in the Blessed Sacrament of His very Body and Blood. Put down the cell phone, close the tablet, turn off the TV, silence the "tunes" just for a while and sit and listen for the sparse but most powerful Word of God.

It is this Word that inspires us and challenges us to DO more than SAY. To DO His bidding, to be His feet, hands, eyes and heart in the world, in our parish. The many good works that are available to you and I -- to speak with our actions needs your attention. All month we have been reminding ourselves of the many ministries and activities we undertake here at St. Michael's to be people of action, faith in action. Please Consider giving some of your time and talents in one the ministries available on the Ministry Card in your pews.

Finally, these Archangels remind us that they are here to help us. We should seek their counsel and their strength in prayer. God is honored when we use the assistance He provides for us in our patron, St. Michael the Archangel.

Mark Your Calendars NOW! Next year our feast day, September 29th, falls on a Sunday. This is most propitious as we will be celebrating our 150th year, next September 29, 2024. A once-in-a-life-time celebration is being planned. Mark your calendar now in your Android or iPhone. You will not want to miss this one!

There will be one large Mass that Sunday at Mt. Calvary. Recreating the beloved picture (which hangs in St. Patrick Hall) of our forbearers in the faith who celebrated there 100 years ago. All the priests who have ministered here over the years and the Sisters will be invited.

This very special Mass, and the reception to follow, will be the event of the decade. You and your children will not see it again for 50 years or more. So mark your calendars now. Invite any of our parishioners you know who have moved over the years to come back and celebrate with us. Be present for this special event of Thanksgiving for 150 years of faith, fellowship and service.

Marian Devotions

September 24th
at 7:15 PM
October 8th at
6:15 PM



Our Lady
of
Lourdes
Shrine



Eucharistic Adoration
September 27th
1:00-4:00 PM
in the Chapel



3rd, 4th and 5th Graders who love to sing are needed for Children's Choir.

Rehearsals are every Thursday through January 7th in the church, 3:30-4:15 PM. Children will sing once a month at the 9:30 AM Mass.



BELL CHOIR
ADULTS NEEDED FOR
RINGING OF THE BELLS
4TH GRADE AND UP ARE
ALSO WELCOME
PRACTICE IS ON FRIDAYS,
6:00-7:00 PM
IN THE CHURCH

Music knowledge a plus, but not required. Questions can be directed to Kathleen, 219-613-4870. *Submitted by Kathleen Mance*

LIVING SCRIPTURAL ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION OCTOBER 9TH AT 7:00 PM

Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day is October 7th. In honor of this feast day and to celebrate the second week of Respect Life Month, The Respect Life Ministry is hosting a Living Scriptural Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction on October 9th at 7:00 PM in the Chapel. 60 people are needed to represent a 'Living Bead' in the rosary. A scripture passage is read by a lector before each Hail Mary but all pray the entire prayers together. Being a 'Living Bead' means you will stand while your candle is lit but does not mean you have to say any prayer by yourself so there is no reason to fear being a 'Living Bead'. If you wish to be a 'Living Bead' we ask that you try to arrive by 6:30 PM. All are Welcome! Come and bring your friends!!

Submitted by Cathy Bartczak



Last Weekend to Sign Up for
Catholic Bible Study
Topic: The Gospel of John Parts I & II
Part I: October 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th
Part II: TBA
7:00-8:15 PM in St. Patrick Hall
\$20 for 1 session, \$40 for 2 Sessions

Need more information? Call Linda Hansen (219-322-1717) or Deacon Ron Pyle (219-742-8263).

CONFERENCE '23

Diocese of Gary
Offices of Worship and Intercultural Ministry



Our Hearts Are Burning Within Us: Journeying with Jesus in Ministry
Arde Nuestro Corazón: Caminando Juntos con Jesus en el Ministerio

Training and Renewal for Lectors • RCIA
EMHCs • Ministers of Care • Music Ministers
Art & Environment • Hospitality/Greeters • Clergy

Registration is now OPEN for the Diocese of Gary Conference '23 Training and Renewal for all Liturgical Ministers, taking place on Friday, October 27th, 5:30-9:00 PM and Saturday, October 28th, 7:00 AM-2:30 PM here at our parish. **Register at www.dcgary.org/event/conference-23** and St. Michael parishioners please follow these instructions:

- ◆ **click on** register
- ◆ **go to** register in English or Spanish
- ◆ **go to** get tickets
- ◆ **go to** check out
- ◆ **go to** fill in billing information: **use St. Michael Church with email address of jgatons@stmichaelparish.life**
- ◆ **continue to** fill in ticket info, answer questions about self and ministry
- ◆ **go to** pay by invoice
- ◆ **click on** submit

Our keynote speaker for CONFERENCE '23 is *Father Michael S. Driscoll, PH.D., S.T.D., Professor Emeritus of Theology at Notre Dame University*. FOOD AND HOSPITALITY WILL BE PROVIDED!



Marriage Tune-Up



Chase Lowden

Financial Advisor & Parishioner



Event Date: Thursday, October, 5th 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: St. Patrick Hall

On-site childcare will be available (upon request)

Refreshments and snacks provided

Organized By: Marriage Preparation Team

R.S.V.P. by October 1st to Kathryn Sanders 219-201-1172



Finance discussion about spending, saving, budgeting, debt planning, stewardship, and making decisions about life insurance!

Last weekend to register for Theology Uncorked



**September 25th
6:00-8:30 PM
St. Patrick Hall**



Presenter:

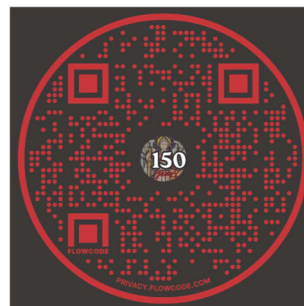
**Fr. Marty Dobrzynski
Topic-Questioning Beliefs
As Catholics?**

**Registration is Necessary
or call 219-322-4505, ext. 8241**

**Prior to the event we will have a box on
the table for questions you would like
Father Marty to address**

**Wine, water and pop will be available
Bring your own snacks**

St. Michael Parish 150th Gala Silent Auction September 29, 2023!



Auction Items

SMS Warriors Package
Broadway in Chicago
Notre Dame Package
Party in St. Patrick Hall
Going Out with Glam
Gourmet in the Region
Eateries of the Region
Pizza in the Region
Date Night
Girl's Day
Andrean Package
Backyard Party
Hair Care Dreams
Treat Yourself
Framed Artwork
Vera Bradley
Mediterranean

Vera Bradley Café Latte
Judith Ripka Jewelry
Family Cookout
Wines & Chocolates
Everything Favorite
Bar Stools
Firepit
Liquor, Candy, Food for
2024
One of a Kind Catholic
Artwork
Under the Tuscan Sun for
4 Vacation
Passport to Europe for 2
Vacation

To participate in the Silent Auction please
utilize the QR Code above....THANK YOU!

It's time to "RADIATE!"

All high school teens are welcome and encouraged to join us. Let's walk together and navigate Life together.... We are here for you.

Keep informed by signing up for our reminders: Send a text to 81010 then text this message @radiate. Any questions, please contact Jeannine Quigley at 219-775-5356 or Marisa Richardson at 219-730-4735.



October Calendar:

October 1st: ADORATION NIGHT: Come sit in silence with our Lord as Fr. Robert prepares us for Eucharistic Adoration along with our Music Ministry. Jesus is waiting for you. 6:00-8:00 PM

October 8th: Gathering in St Patrick Hall, 6:00-8:00 PM

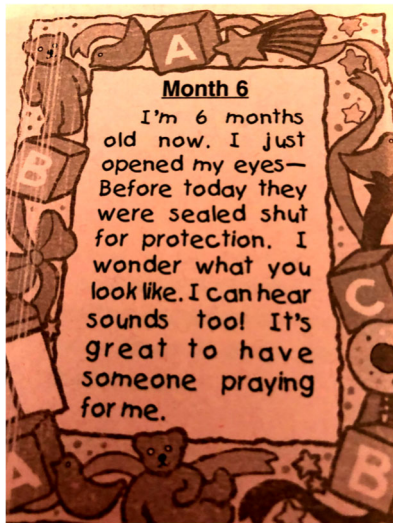
October 29th: HALLOWEEN PARTY 6:00-8:00 PM

Submitted by Jeannine Quigley



Educational technology and its funding change daily. To keep up with these changes and their accompanying expenses, our school is participating in our local

Strack & Van Til's Apple for the Students program. The program enables our school to earn computers and iPads, sporting goods, audio visual equipment and science supplies with choices from hundreds of awards too. And THEY ARE ALL FREE! To earn these FREE awards, we simply must collect as many register receipts as possible. Ask our friends and relatives who shop at Strack's to save every receipt. Put the receipts in an envelope marked Apple for the Students and place in the collection tower as you enter the church. Thank you in advance for your participation!



Spiritual Adoption Program

Please remember to pray daily for your Spiritual Adopted baby and the baby's mother and father. During your earthly life this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God but in the world to come it is hoped you will meet the child whose life was spared by your prayers and spend eternal happiness with them.

"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Submitted by Cathy Bartczak

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

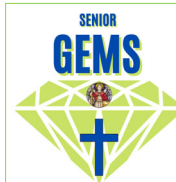
Rose Sale

Respect Life Sunday is October 1st and in honor of the day, The Respect Life Ministry will be selling roses after all Masses September 30th and October 1st. Please make a donation or the roses are \$1 each or a dozen for \$10. Proceeds help to support Lake County Right to Life and the Women's Care Center.

Annual Lake County Right to Life Chain

From 1:00-3:00 PM on October 1st, please join the Annual Lake County Right to Life Chain that takes place on Ridge Road from Wicker Park and goes West into Lansing. This is a time of prayer for the end of abortion and for the respect and dignity of all human life. Pro-lifers stand together holding pro-life signs and praying. For more information, please call Christine Lukawski at Lake County Right to Life at 219-838-1138.

submitted by Cathy Bartczak



All Those 50+ Parishioner or Non-Parishioner



Come and Join the Fun!

September 26th: 10:00 AM Presentation by Barbara Rossi on Medicare changes for 2024 in St. Patrick Hall. **No registration required!**

October 10th: 10:00 AM in SE room of St. Patrick Hall

October 24th: Outing to Winona Lake, IN

submitted by Nancy Finley



KEEP UPDATED ON CURRENT ISSUES

The Respect Life Ministry would like to encourage everyone to watch EWTN's ProLife Weekly every Thursday at 9:00 PM or Tuesday at 12:00 PM to keep informed on issues that are currently being discussed. Also visit their website at Prolifeweekly.com for the weekly CALL TO ACTION!



LIFE IS PRECIOUS; HANDLE WITH PRAYER

Shirley Miller, ***Deb Petersen***, Valerie West, Timothy Bunchek, ***George Jakes***, Mark Brake, Kristin Brake, Eileen Goodwin, Ashley Arnold, Joanne Krsak, ***Joseph Tomszewski***, Jerry Caravana, Ken Caravana, Gerald L. Moore, June Marie Czajkowski, Pat Markiewicz, ***Jody Woods***, ***Marlene Weber*** and all those in need of the healing touch of God. Please call 219-322-4505, ext. 8220 to place a loved one on the Prayer List. Please see page 2 for guidelines regarding Pray for the Sick list.

St. Michael's parishioners are in bold, italic print.



K OF C FAMILY OF THE MONTH RECEIPT

Knights of Columbus Council 12177 proudly announces that our Family of the Month for August was awarded to Cathy Bartczak. Cathy has been instrumental in reaching out and engaging Knights in several of the Respect Life activities, not to mention the numerous parish committees she serves on. Congratulations, Cathy!

Submitted by G. Bromley

ST. MICHAEL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**Thank You – Thank You – Thank You
To our Sponsors, Golfers and Volunteers
11th Annual GOLF OUTING**

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Rob's Homestyle Catering

Special Thank You to:
Scherwood Golf Course
Marv & Eileen Hanson, owners
Pat & Sue Cusick
Rev. Martin J. Dobrzynski



**Last Chance to
Register for
Bereavement
Sessions held on
Thursdays,
Sept. 28th-Nov. 9th
7:00-8:30 PM**

**Please call Janice at
322-4505, ext. 8241 to
register before Sept. 25th.**

2023 Parish Fun Fest & Mega Raffle Results

RAFFLE RESULTS

Raffle Ticket Sales.....	\$338,100.00
Raffle Expenses.....	-39,396.69
Raffle Winners Payments.....	-114,800.00
Net Raffle Results.....	\$183,903.31
% Return on Ticket Sales.....	54.4%
Donation-Haven House.....	-18,390.33
Net Raffle Results.....	\$165,512.98

FUN FEST RESULTS

Fun Fest Income/Donations.....	\$30,896.00
Fun Fest Expenses.....	-65,300.84
Net Fun Fest Results.....	-34,404.84

NET EVENT.....\$131,108.14

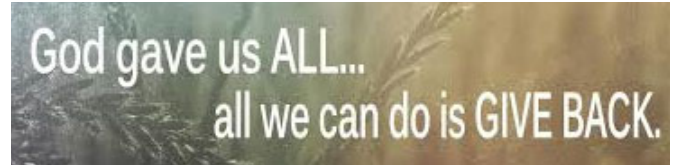


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Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24

2nd Collection-St. Michael Feast Day
Catholic Bible Study Registration After 7:30 & 9:30 AM
Masses & BEFORE 11:30 AM Mass
Coffee & Donuts After All Masses
Theology Uncorked Sign Ups After All Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM
Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-4:30 PM
Evening Prayer 4:30 PM
Reception Following Evening Prayer
Marian Devotions 7:15 PM

**The Rosary is said after 7:00 AM weekday Mass except
Tuesday-after OLPH Devotions**

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25

Emotions Anonymous 6:00 PM
Theology Uncorked 6:00 PM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26

Senior GEMS 10:00 AM
Faith Formation 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27

Eucharistic Adoration 1:00-4:00 PM
Faith Formation 6:00 PM

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28

Children's Choir Practice 3:30 PM
Bereavement 7:00 PM
Choir Practice 7:00 PM

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29

Bell Choir Practice 6:00 PM

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30

Finance Council Meeting 9:00 AM
Confessions 3:30-4:30 PM
Respect Life Rose Sale After Vigil Mass

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1

Respect Life Rose Sale After All Masses
RCIA 9:30 AM
Radiate 6:00 PM

Stewardship in Action

How generous of your time, talents and treasures
can you be? Say yes to a new ministry this year
and donate to the GIFT capital campaign.
Submitted by Conchita Bryner



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

August 13, 2023

Adult	\$10,569.00
Children	\$24.00
EFTs	\$2,691.00
Loose	\$482.00

**Total Weekly Offering
\$13,766.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

*denotes new article

***SPONSOR(S) NEEDED**

A sponsor or sponsors are needed for a family from the Ukraine to come to the United States as refugees. There is no financial assistance nor accommodations required, just a minimal initial time commitment. This would help a family leave a current war zone. The family consists of an older married couple, a mom with two children ages 18 and 10 and a husband to person listed prior. The family does not need to be brought over all in one group with one sponsor. Please contact Andrew Kovacs at andrew.s.kovacs@gmail.com for more details. This would be using the "Uniting for Ukraine" program. The role of a sponsor is to assure the government that they are not being left on their own with no support structures. There is no financial cost nor is there any time commitment other than the sponsorship paperwork.

RIGHT TO LIFE

Please be sure to join Lake County Right to Life for the 40 Days for Life Kick Off/General Meeting on **September 26th** at 6:00 PM here in St. Patrick Hall. There will be several special speakers to get us fired up for the cause! Please bring a meat, side or dessert to share in our potluck! For more information or to sign up for the Potluck, call Christine at The Lake County Right to Life office at 219-838-1138.



SPAGHETTI DINNER & CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

Anyone in need of food or clothing is invited to attend the 40th Annual Free Spaghetti Dinner & Clothing Giveaway on **October 7th**, 10:30 AM-3:00 PM, at the Hammond Civic Center, 5825 Sohl Avenue, Hammond. Carry-out dinner only. To donate non-perishable food items or clothing or to volunteer, contact Lucy Perez at (219) 838-6602 or (219) 381-4670.

WOMAN'S CARE CENTER - BINGO - ONE-OF-A-KIND EVENT

Please join us on **October 11th** at the Halls of St. George at 6:00 PM for Bingo benefiting the moms and babies of our community!

Great Food - Cocktails - Fabulous Prizes
Register online at LuxuryBingoMerrillville.com or text "MerrillvilleBingo" to 41444 before October 2nd. Questions? Contact Victoria Cain at (815) 900-8366 or email victoria@supportwcc.org

CARING TOGETHER:

2023 CANCER NETWORKING GROUP

We know the ripple effect that occurs from a cancer diagnosis. Whether you are newly diagnosed, undergoing treatment, a survivor or a family member, everyone is welcome to attend our networking group. Oncology nurse navigators facilitate the sessions. Active participation is not required. Open House is **October 12th**, 5:30-6:30 PM, at the Community Stroke and Rehab Center, 10215 Broadway, Crown Point. For more information, please call Cate Harms 219-703-2330. To register, please call 219-836-3349.

SIP SAVOR SUPPORT

Catholic Charities is having a wine and food pairing dinner experience, *Sip, Savor, Support* on **October 13th** starting at 6:30 PM at Trinity Banquet Hall, 640 N. Calumet Ave., Chesterton. Proceeds from this event will provide emergency assistance for those living in Lake, Porter, LaPorte and Starke Counties. Please contact Kevin at kfeldman@catholic-charities.org for more information.



***FCSLA JUNIOR BRANCH DISTRICT BOWLING PARTY**

SET 'EM Up Lanes, 135 N. Broad St., Griffith is the site of the FCSLA Junior Branch District Bowling Party on Oct. 14th, 11:00-2:00 PM. Food, Bowling and More! Costumes are encouraged! Please RSVP to your branch: 58-Mary Markovich 219-659-5376, 184-Patty Bielak 219-644-5452, 317-Agnes Chervanek 219-865-6396, 348-Betty Ortiz 219-671-9278 by *October 3rd to make reservations.*

***OCTOBERFEST**

Please join us for good food, dancing and pure wholesome fun. On **October 15th**, St. Nicholas Apostolate, St. Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church, 557 W 57th Ave, Merrillville, is hosting an OctoberFest, 11:30 AM-2:30 PM. Lunch and music provided. For \$15 per adult, there will be stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes or cabbage and noodles, green beans, bread, butter and dessert. Music provided by John Pruzin, Jr and his Tamburitza Band.

***SAVE THE DATE**

FCSLA Branch 81 Annual Carmelite Home Fundraiser Luncheon on **Nov. 19th**.
More details to come in October.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23

4:00 PM †James Candreva, Sr.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24 CELEBRATING THE PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL

7:30 AM St. Michael Parish

9:30 AM †Matilda Rodgues

11:30 AM †Carol Jakubowicz

†Mary Ann Vanes

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25

7:00 AM †Richard Kalembe

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26

7:00 AM †Henry Lyza

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27

7:00 AM †Theresa Scaramella

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 AM Frank & Betty Ann-60th

Anniversary

Richard & MaryJane Gerlach-60th

Anniversary

8:55 AM †Jeffery Allen Tuskan

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 AM †Philip Bruno

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30

8:00 AM All Souls

5:00 PM †August & Josephine Dravet

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1

7:30 AM †Philip & Kerry Bruno

†Merlita Velaquez

†Frances Bradtke-Perz

9:30 AM St. Michael Parish

11:30 AM Name Day of Mother Grace Therese

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THE WORD

(Readings for October 1, 2023, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

I. Ezekiel 18:25-28

The Lord spoke through Ezekiel: "Hear now, house of Israel...If he turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life."

II. Philippians 2:1-11

Paul quoted an ancient hymn: "Though Christ was in the form of God, He did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. He emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave and obediently accepted death on a cross. So God exalted Him and gave Him a name above every other name."

III. Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said that outcasts enter God's reign because of faith but not the righteous who lack repentance: "Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

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